Remarks

Applicants thank the Examiner for the Notice of Allowance mailed December 15, 2008. Applicants submit an RCE under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a) to reopen prosecution in response to the Notice of Allowance. Applicants have removed the claim of priority to U.S. Application Serial No 10/406,709 filed April 3, 2003. No new matter was added with this amendment.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is requested. If the Examiner notes any minors, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned so that the matter can be promptly handled by Examiner's amendment.

Further, in the event the Examiner believes a telephone interview would advance prosecution of the patent application in any manner, the Examiner is invited to contact Martin J. Sultana, representative of Applicants, at the Examiner's convenience at 248-358-4400.

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